EXHIBIT A

MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE CLAIMS UPON ENTRY OF THE INSTANT AMENDMENT (filed October 28, 2002)

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Claim 1 is cancelled without prejudice, and replaced by new claims 25 to 30.

- 2. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] 28, wherein the needle is selected from the group consisting of microneedles, catheter needles, and injection needles.
- 3. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] 28, wherein a single needle is inserted.
- 4. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] 28, wherein multiple needles are inserted.
- 5. (Amended) The method of <u>any of [Claim 1] Claims 25-30</u>, wherein the substance is a liquid delivered by pressure directly on the liquid.
- 6. (Amended) The method of <u>any of [Claim 1] Claims 25-30</u>, wherein a hormone is delivered.
- 7. (Amended) The method of Claim 6, wherein the hormone is selected from the group consisting of insulin and PTH.

Claims 8 and 9 are cancelled without prejudice.

- 10. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] $\underline{28}$, wherein the needle is about 300 μm to 2 mm long.
- 11. (Amended) The method of Claim [10] $\underline{28}$, wherein the needle is about 500 μ m to 1 mm long.

- 12. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] $\underline{28}$, wherein the outlet is at a depth of about 250 μ m to 2 mm when the needle is inserted.
- 13. (Amended) The method of Claim [12] 28, wherein the outlet is at a depth of about 750 µm to 1.5 mm when the needle is inserted.
- 14. (Amended) The method of Claim [12] 28, wherein the outlet has an exposed height of about 0 to 1 mm.
- 15. (Amended) The method of Claim [14] $\underline{28}$, wherein the outlet has an exposed height of about 0 to 300 μm .
- 16. (Amended) The method of Claim [1] <u>26</u>, wherein the delivery rate or volume delivered is controlled by spacing of multiple needles, needle diameter or number of needles.